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# EPA Seeks Comments on Bunker Hill Cleanup Reviews Public Meeting Scheduled for "Non-populated Areas" Five-Year Review Comment period for Populated Areas Review Extended to July 10

## Non-Populated Areas Five-Year Review Report Now Available

The draft Five-Year Review Report for the "Non-Populated Areas" at Bunker Hill is now available for public review and comment. You may recall that *Five-Year Reviews* are required at Superfund sites where contamination is left in place to ensure that cleanup activities at those sites are protective of human health and the environment. The Five-Year Review Report details the findings and recommendations of the cleanup evaluation.

#### We Want to Hear from You

EPA wants your input on the draft Five-Year Report for the Non-Populated Areas at Bunker Hill. Please attend a public Task Force meeting on Thursday, June 29th, 2000 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Kellogg Middle School Library (810 Bunker Avenue in Kellogg). At the meeting, representatives from EPA will present the Five-Year Review findings and recommendations. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask questions and give us your input.

Written comments on the Non-Populated Areas Five-Year Review draft Report will be accepted until August 14, 2000. Comments should be sent to: Mary Kay Voytilla, US EPA Region 10, 1200 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101. A copy of the draft report is available for review at the information repositories listed on the end of this fact sheet and on EPA's webpage

#### What Was Evaluated During the Five-Year Review?

The Non-Populated Areas Five-Year Review specifically evaluated the cleanup remedies outlined in the 1992 Record of Decision (ROD) for the following areas:

Smelterville Flats
Hillsides
Central Impoundment Area (CIA)
Mine Operations Area
Central Treatment Plant
Grouse Gulch
Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way
Page Ponds
Upper Milo
Smelter Complex (McKinley Avenue,
Lead Smelter, Zinc Plant/Phosphate Plant,
Gulches, A4 Gypsum Pond)

Each of the areas above was looked at to determine how well the cleanup remedy is performing; identify any issues or problems; identify steps taken to correct problems; and note any deficiencies that prevent the remedy from being protective or that may indicate a potential for failure in the future. The review also evaluated whether cleanup actions have been implemented in accordance with the ROD, whether performance standards have been achieved in areas where cleanup is complete, and whether changes are needed to meet the performance standards and cleanup goals.

The Five-Year Review also evaluated the site monitoring programs and looked at whether there is new information related to the Applicable Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs) that could call into question the protectiveness of the performance standards and cleanup goals.

#### COMMENT PERIOD FOR POPULATED AREAS REVIEW EXTENDED

Please note: The comment period for the Populated Areas Five-Year Review Report has been extended until July 10, 2000. The report is available at the locations listed below. Comments should be sent to: **Sean Sheldrake**, US EPA Region 10, 1200 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101.

## **Need More Information?**

If you have questions, please call **Marianne Deppman**, EPA's Community Involvement Coordinator in Seattle, at 1-800-424-4372 or at (206) 553-1237, or **Mary Kay Voytilla**, EPA Project Manager, at (206) 553-2712. You can also contact **Jerry Cobb** at the Panhandle Health District in Kellogg at (208) 783-0707.

You can also visit the Superfund Project Office at 1005 McKinley Avenue in Kellogg (call: 783-5781).

# Where Can You Review the Reports?

Kellogg Public Library: 16 West Market, Kellogg, ID 83837 (contains the administrative record)

Pinehurst/Kingston Library: 107 Main Street, Pinehurst, ID 83850

EPA Region 10 Records Center: 1200 6th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101

Or visit the EPA Region 10 webpage at: http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/

To ensure effective communication with everyone, additional services can be made available to persons with disabilities by contacting one of the people listed above.



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